

9<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

Wickersley Partnership Trust are very pleased to announce the appointment of three Primary Welfare Officers. Their role will be to support children and parents, to ensure children are in school and that their attendance is a priority.

Rotherham Local Authority and national partners have recognised the importance of improving attendance in schools since Covid. As a Trust, we want to do all we can to support families and children. We know that high attendance directly impacts academic achievement and progress. We also know how important social interaction with peers is in supporting children in developing and achieving emotionally and socially. In addition, pastoral support from our staff can offer further strategies and interventions to support families.

The Welfare Officers come from experienced backgrounds both in school settings and external agencies, and bring expertise that will help support families where there is a need.

If your child is identified as needing support through the school, the school will liaise with the family and the Welfare Officers to offer support and guidance.

Kind regards,

R. Pany-McDermott

Mrs R Parry-McDermott Headteacher of School

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